

STATE OF ARIZONA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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Dear Partner,

Domestic violence is a public health issue that affects Arizonans in all communities, regardless of age, gender, economic status, race, religion, nationality, or educational background. Unfortunately, in the United States, 12 million men and women experience situations that compromise their safety. It is incumbent upon all of us to take a stand. We want all survivors of domestic violence to know that Arizona will never stop fighting for their safety and security.

This October, in recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family - in partnership with the Arizona Prevent Violence Against Women Commission - will host the Seventh Annual Lighting Arizona Purple event at the State Capitol on Monday, October 4, 2021. During the month of October, we will light the Capitol Dome purple as a symbol of Arizona's dedication to ending domestic violence and support for victims and survivors. We encourage you to join us in this month long campaign to raise awareness on this critical issue. The Lighting Arizona Purple campaign provides an opportunity to support victims, connect families and communities with essential resources, and demonstrate support for the numerous organizations that provide advocacy efforts, services and assistance to victims.

I would like to invite you to join us in raising awareness about domestic violence by:

- -Attending the Kick-Off Event on October 4, 2021;
- -Lighting your buildings purple;
- -Providing domestic violence training, information, and resources to employees and constituents;
- -Participating on social media using #LightingAZPurple and #EndDVinAZ;
- -Attending/Hosting local domestic violence events throughout the month; and
- -Participating in "Wear Purple Day" on October 21st, using #PurpleThursday.

Please visit ItCanStop.AZ.gov to find additional resources. If you have any questions, please contact Gaelyn Davis at GDavis@az.gov or (602) 542-3463.

Sincerely,

Douglas A. Ducey

Governor

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